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SILVER MINES LAST LONGER THAN ANY OTHERS

The Mexican silver has a proverb, it is said, that a silver mine will exhaust itself in 100 years, but a silver mine yields as much as a copper mine in 100 years. This proverb is very vividly borne out by the news from Tonopah, where remarkable discoveries at great depths have refuted the mine of that name, which was regarded as one of the best silver mines of the world less than 40 years ago.

Developments in the Hallfax, West End, Buckeye, Belmont and other properties demonstrates that Tonopah, which has already produced over \$150,000,000 in the last 21

NEW UNION PACIFIC TERMINAL AIDS SOUTHWEST

It will be a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, indeed, for mining stockholders, through a veritable shower of dividends payable in all but all phases of the mining industry. Lowering of wartime cost of operation, coupled with good prices in all the white metals, has led to dividend resumption by zinc, lead and silver mines, and increased dividends by the "regular" and copper mines too, have resumed dividends, even on low copper prices.

The great Hecla silver-lead mine in Idaho is paying the 50 per cent quarterly dividend in force several years, and a 110 per cent extra Christmas "special" but the combined rate is less than half the current earnings on current silver and lead prices.

A remarkable position is that of St. Joseph Lead Co., that will pay the regular 25c quarterly and a 25c extra December 29, and before that it paid, has already voted a similar dividend and extra for next March.

Kennecott among the coppers has just resumed dividends after two years. It draws a handsome income from the dividends paid on its holdings of Motherlode and Utah Copper stock. Kennecott used to pay 50c quarterly and nobody expected better than that rate when the directors gave a Merry Christmas surprise and voted the 75c quarterly.

Butte & Superior, the foremost zinc mines in the world, has just resumed at 50c quarterly. It has paid no dividends since the distribution of the extraordinary 1915-16 profits, the last distribution in September, 1917.

Among the silver mines a whole lot of dividend payers are making Merry Christmas for shareholders. There are more dividend paying silver producers than all other mines combined.

Nipissing is adding 3 per cent extra on the 2 per cent regular quarterly dividend for January. "Nip" too, sets only "foreign" prices for silver, not the \$1 Pittman price. The Nevada dividend payers, the Rand district in California, Keer Lake in Coahuila, are handing out the regular fat dividends, with Amparo in Mexico; and the Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company of British Columbia, is about to resume dividends. The list is too long to quote.

In the gold mining group, Come, Hollinger, and McIntyre, of Porepine, are handing out good New Year presents to fortunate shareholders, and Homestake is distributing the usual Christmas monthly payment. —Financial Review.

years, has entered upon a new lease of life and is likely to be the greatest and deepest silver mining district in this country.

At the same time, since the news that the great Nevada silver mine, the Tonopah, has been discovered, it is almost certain that a very large body of ore has been broken into a body of 1,000 feet in the North Nevada field. It is a very rich mine, and has already produced many millions.

It is also remarkable that the discovery of the Tonopah mine, in the camp of Tonopah, has caused the discovery of the Tonopah mine, in the camp of Tonopah, has caused the discovery of the Tonopah mine, in the camp of Tonopah.

There was recently read before the Technic Club of Denver, a very interesting paper by the Dean of the Colorado School of Mines. This one dealt with the fact that very frequent and common question, "which is the oldest mine?" The writer of that paper, Mr. Lester S. Grant, expressed the belief that the oldest recorded business in mining was in Greek mythology, when Jason and his band of soldiers built the wooden ship Argo and in it sailed far across the Aegean Sea and entered the aid of Medea, who, with the help of Circeus and his magic arts, charmed the great serpent that guarded the Golden Fleece. Evidently, silver mining preceded this, too, because one of silver's earliest uses was in the earliest chapters of the Bible, and there must, therefore, have been silver mines in those days.

The mining industry, according to the scriptures, dates back to the time of Tubal Cain who was the great-grandson of Cain, son of Adam and Eve. The stability of mining is well demonstrated by the records of some of the great mines of the world, which have been profitably operated for hundreds of years, thus outlasting any other occupation of man started at the same time.

This is true of nearly all kinds of mines. Rio Tinto Copper mine of Spain was worked by the Phoenicians and Romans hundreds of years before the birth of Christ. It is still paying dividends and shows about 140,000,000 tons of ore yet to be worked.

The St. John Del Rey Mine of Brazil, now 6,426 feet, or more than a mile deep, has in continuous operation since 1839, and its paid dividends regularly since 1842.

The Great Broken Hill Silver Mines are comparatively modern, having only been discovered in 1883, but they have yielded millions in dividends since, then and still have many years of profitable life ahead of them. The Comstock Lode of Nevada was discovered in 1859 and has produced about \$600,000,000. It has recently entered into a new lease of life by the operations of the United Comstock Company which has erected a 2,500 ton mill now in operation, the biggest silver mill in the world. The old camp of Pioche, Nevada, with its record of millions of dollars in dividends, bids fair to repeat its early-day history. A modern camp is the Coeur d'Alene district of Idaho, which was discovered in 1885. It has produced over \$500,000,000 and even at great depths so far from any signs of exhaustion, 3 hows richer and greater orebodies than were found near the surface.

Dr. Stockham, railroad surgeon at Caliente, who recently returned to work after a wonderful recovery from a most serious operation has again been taken down by sickness, which it is hoped will prove to be of a temporary nature. Considerable night work it is thought may have caused the temporary relapse, however it was considered best for the Doctor to return to the Good Samaritan Hospital at Los Angeles for a thorough examination. Mrs. Stockham and daughter Mildred will accompany the Doctor to the Coast.

Smyrna Burning As Turks Massacre Christians.



First picture to reach America showing Smyrna in flames from torches of the triumphant Turks and Kernal Pasha. Thousands are believed to have perished in the flames and from swords of the Turks.

SEE CHANCE TO ATTACK ADMINISTRATION SAFE IS BLOWN AT NOMINATION OF BUTLER TO THE U. S. SUPREME COURT

Washington, D. C., Dec. 18.—Two days of business conversation with men who shape the nation's destiny in Washington discloses that the anti-Harding forces are jubilant over the nomination of Pierce Butler, of New York, as Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States. They regard the nomination as the supreme blunder of the Harding administration.

The appointment of Attorney General Daugherty seemed a good deal of discontent. Those who quietly opposed Daugherty when he was named today made no ado about merely charging that Harding is misled with an administration-wrecker. Daugherty, just as Taft was with the "I told you so's" have found certain pleasure in the warfare on the Attorney-General, which has ended in his open arraignment, but this is an nothing compared to their attitude in relation to the Supreme Court.

The anti-Harding men have looked sometime for an avenue of open and excusable attack on the activities and operations of the President. Now they feel that they have found it in what they are pleased to term

"principles and personality" rather than governmental policy, policy which, of course, they feel impelled to safeguard.

Butler's nomination caused a furor in both House and Senate. At first it aroused indignation, but as the anti-Harding men began to exchange views, irritation changed to satisfaction, until the opposition to the nomination crystallized into what the progressive bloc regards as an opportunity.

Then, on top of this, came the report, not uncontradicted, that the much despised Governor of the State of New York, Nathan L. Miller, also being seriously considered for the Supreme Court. When the racket was fired every anti-Harding man felt like a poker player who has just drawn the fourth ace.

And stand says Butler is not qualified for bench.

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Panama was visited by safe blowers between 2 and 3 o'clock on Thursday night entirely wrecking the post office safe in the store of A. V. Lee. The parties who did the work were evidently amateurs as the safe was so heavy that it not only opened the safe but blew the door in pieces and jarred much of the goods from the shelves. As close as Mr. Lee could estimate on Friday morning between \$40.00 and \$50.00 in silver was taken, while close to \$150.00 in paper money was buried beneath the debris from the safe and overlooked by the burglars.

SAFE IS BLOWN AT PANAMA—LOSS ABOUT \$40

The explosion was heard by a number of residents of Panama but no alarm was raised to it, the robbery was discovered by Frank Lee who went to the store about four o'clock to telephone for Dr. Hastings at Pioche and found the front door open. The men entered through a rear window by prying off one of the shutters and left the front way. No tracks could be found to indicate the men and nothing to indicate the manner in which the blowers entered the town.

The new terminal is located on Alameda street between Eighth and Ninth streets and is quickly accessible to the wholesale, retail and industrial districts of Los Angeles. This arrangement makes the handling of freight shipments, both inbound and outbound, rapid and economical. The team tracks have a spotting capacity of 70 cars, with concrete pavements leading to them as well as to the automobile dock. The dock for unloading automobiles is separated from the main building and will provide for the unloading of 16 cars at one time. Tracks for the freight-house will be sufficient for the unloading of 250 cars of freight.

One of the most important features of the new terminal is the pre-cooling room for perishable goods. The pre-cooling room is for the purpose of taking cars of storage shipments that are perishable but cannot be taken away on the day of arrival.

The mammoth scales, one of the largest of its kind in the world, will handle up to fifty tons of weight and is to be used in handling carload shipments. As a time saver, provision has been made for the loading and unloading of machinery and heavy articles over an outdoor loading platform. For package shipments this modern equipment includes electric automobile scales.

The new terminal which is said to be the largest of its kind in the west, is 70 by 600 feet, the two-story handsome building is 200 feet, constructed entirely of brick and concrete and at a cost of more than \$1,000,000. Eight months were required to complete the work of construction. While the old freight depot on Macey and Myers streets will continue to be used, the bulk of the business will be carried through the Alameda street terminal.

M. L. Lee went to Panama and Caliente today on business.

WANT CHANGE IN STATE GAME LAWS

Steps looking to the protection of the bearing animals, which bring revenues estimated by fur buyers at \$700,000 per annum in Nevada, so that the species may not yet become extinct through wholesale slaughter, were taken at the joint legislative conference of the Nevada State Fish and Game Protective Society and the Washington County Fish and Game Protective Association last night at the Chamber of Commerce, says the Journal.

The protective measures are a portion of suggestions adopted here to be sent out to all counties of Nevada with the invitation for suggestions from them, the whole to be written into a bill for the next legislature. Here are departures suggested:

A license at the rate of \$2 for residents and \$5 for non-residents, with an open season now is suggested for bear, racoon, marten, fisher, pink skunk, muskrat, river otter and ermine, silver and red fox, with season from November 15 to March 15.

On deer, the hunter must obtain from the County Clerk a self-looking tag for the back, allowing transportation and six-month starting privilege after season.

The Virginia Street bridge is to be the dividing line for trout district on the Truckee. Pyramid lake on one side and the state line on the other as the limits. Between the bridge and the lake the season will be April 1 to June 1; from the bridge to the state line the season will be June 1 to October 1. Weight limits on the

fish are also fixed.

Washington County voted down a proposition to remove from county to state the control of fish and game. County Commissioner J. C. Durham presided the motionmen the committee would listen to their wishes relative to reinstating the Truckee as a fishing stream, by committee. The sum of \$4,000 now is on hand in the fish and game fund, he reported, and the board would be glad to cooperate with a committee from the motionmen's organizations in expending it.

BEST HUNTER MET

Leland Roeder captured the hunting honors of the season Saturday by killing the only Canadian Brant in this section for several seasons. Leland and Mickey Slaughter on that day accompanied, Chas. Slaughter and Joe Powers to Panama to hunt duck on the Panama waterways and was stationed on the old reservoir below town with the primary mission of herding the ducks back in the direction of Joe and Chas. should they decide to occupy the reservoir. While hidden along the bank waiting for action the boys' attention was attracted to a large white bird flying from the direction of Bennett Springs. The bird sighted the water and circling around lighted near the center of the reservoir. With two shells of buckshot the boy took a chance and after missing the first shot and brought down the second and the second as it started to fly. The bird was unusually large, measuring five feet eight inches from tip to tip of the wings and 46 inches from the bill to the tip of the tail. It weighed seven pounds dressed.

Joe and Chas. together bagged five ducks.

MANY MILES OF ROAD INCLUDED IN FEDERAL SYSTEM

A total of 1,520 miles of Nevada roads are included in the system of federal aid highways which will reach into practically every county of the United States, according to an announcement issued by the bureau of public roads of the United States department of agriculture.

Of this mileage, 600 miles are included in the primary highway system and 920 in the secondary system. Approximately 10,000 miles of the proposed 157,000 miles in the whole program have been completed. It is estimated that the completion of the entire system will take from 15 to 20 years.

The system is being outlined in accordance with the requirements of the federal highway act of last November, which contemplates a system of highways to be built with federal aid such as no other nation has ever possessed and which, once built will be continuously maintained in serviceable condition.

Eighteen feet will be the minimum width of the highway, unless conditions justify a lesser width and such cases must be given special approval. The system will consist of not more than 7 per cent of the total road mileage in any one state, not more than three-sevenths of which will be primary or interstate highways and the remainder secondary or intercounty highways.

A NEW OUTBURST IN DIVIDENDS FROM MINING

Lincoln County patrons of the Union Pacific system will undoubtedly come in for their share of the direct benefits to be derived from the company's new freight terminal in Los Angeles in the way of fresher and better fruits and vegetables from the southern market. And in a great measure Southern Nevada will be benefited as its expansion of business in the entire southwest is facilitated by the most modern methods in handling the traffic on this great railway system.

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PIOCHE DISTRICT ORE SHIPMENTS

With fine open weather prevailing during the past week in the district a heavier tonnage of tallings was sent to the market, the dry weather making loading easier. Nothing definite has been arranged towards the movement of ore from the Virginia Louise Mine but it is hoped that shipments will commence early in 1923, the Price railway has been placed in fair repair by the Union Pacific Co. and a number of cars of supplies have been handled over for the Prince Consolidated Mining Company, who are now pushing the unwatering of the mine with an increased force of men. With operations about to commence on the Hamburg Mine and a number of other properties in the Pioche district a most hopeful feeling is apparent. The tonnage handled for the week ending December 21st was as follows:

	Tons
Bullionville Tallings, Prince	
Con. Mng. Co.	665
Dee Valley Tallings, Prince	
Con. Mng. Co.	645
Gravel Silver Mines Co.	650
Total	1960

The state surveyors are enjoying a short vacation at the Kismiller ranch this week. The boys' vacations were cut short on account of the announcement of the contractors on the highway between Pioche and French Cabin that they would begin work on January first.